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receiving information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the at least one document; and

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generating the at least one document using the modified customer provided information.

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6. (once amended) A method according to Claim 1 further comprising the steps of searching a database to identify equipment which match the criteria supplied by the customer in response to prompting the customer to provide information required to generate at least one document, and displaying to the customer at least some information relating to at least some of the equipment identified as a match from the database search.

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9. (once amended) A computer programmed to:

store, in a database, information relating to a plurality of equipment for lease including specifications for each piece of equipment and, if the equipment is currently being leased, the terms of the lease;

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prompt a customer to select a type of lease transaction for a specific type of equipment to be leased;

prompt a customer to provide information required to generate at least one document for the selected lease transaction type, the customer provided information includes criteria of the equipment and additional lease requirements;

match the customer provided information with the equipment information stored within the database by applying predetermined search rules;

receive information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the at least one document; and

generate the at least one document using the modified customer provided information.

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14. (once amended) A computer according to Claim 9 further programmed to search a database to identify equipment which match the criteria supplied by the customer in response to prompting the customer to provide information required to generate the at least one document,

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and to display to the customer at least some information relating to at least some of the equipment identified as a match from the database search.

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7. (once amended) A database comprising:

a first set of data corresponding to an availability query submitted by a customer and related to a lease transaction, the first set of data including criteria for equipment to be leased and additional lease requirements;

a second set of data corresponding to information relating to a plurality of equipment for lease including specifications for each piece of equipment, and if the equipment is being leased, the terms of the lease;

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a third set of data corresponding to predetermined search rules that are applied to match the first set of data with the equipment information in the second set of data; and

a fourth set of data corresponding to modifications of the first set of data that are made by a lessor.

18. (once amended) A database according to Claim 17 further comprising a fifth set of data corresponding to search results from execution of the availability query.

19. (once amended) A database according to Claim 17 further comprising a fifth set of data corresponding to a customer desired equipment configuration.

20. (once amended) A database according to Claim 17 further comprising a fifth set of data corresponding to availability of equipment for lease.

21. (once amended) A system for generating lease documents, said system comprising:

a database comprising information relating to a plurality of equipment for lease including specifications for each piece of equipment and, if the equipment is currently being leased, the database including the terms of the lease; and

a server configured to:

prompt a customer to provide information required to generate a document for a selected lease transaction type, the customer provided information includes criteria of an equipment and additional lease requirements;

match the customer provided information with the equipment information by applying predetermined search rules;

prompt a lessor to select a type of document to be generated and to provide information required to generate the selected document type; and

receive information entered by the lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the document.

22. (once amended) A system according to Claim 21 wherein said database further comprises at least one of data corresponding to an availability query submitted by the lessor including a marketing executive and related to a lease transaction, data corresponding to search results from execution of the availability query, data corresponding to a marketing executive desired equipment configuration, and data corresponding to availability of equipment for lease.

26. (once amended) A system according to Claim 21 wherein to prompt the lessor including a marketing executive to provide information required to generate the selected document type, said server is configured to cause to be displayed at a client computer a screen listing the equipment criteria and delivery requirements.

27. (once amended) A system according to Claim 21 wherein said server is configured to cause said database to be searched to identify equipment which match criteria supplied in response to prompting the lessor including a marketing executive to provide information required to generate the selected document type, and to display at a client computer at least some information relating to at least some of the equipment identified as a match from the database search.

28. (once amended) A system according to Claim 27 wherein said server is further configured to prompt the marketing executive to select at least one of the identified equipment, and wherein to generate the selected document type using the customer provided information,

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said server is configured to populate the selected document type with data related to the one identified equipment.

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30. (once amended) A method for initiating a lease transaction, said method comprising the steps of:

prompting a customer to select a type of lease transaction for a specific type of equipment to be leased;

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prompting the customer to provide information regarding equipment to be subject to the lease transaction, the customer provided information includes criteria of the equipment and additional lease requirements;

prompting the customer to request generation of a term sheet for the lease transaction;

matching the customer provided information with equipment information by applying predetermined search rules, the equipment information including specifications for a plurality of equipment and, if a piece of equipment is currently being leased, the terms of the lease; and

receiving information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the term sheet.

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33. (once amended) A method according to Claim 32 wherein for a lease extension, prompting the customer to provide information regarding equipment to be subject to the lease transaction comprises the step of displaying information related to at least one lease to the customer.

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34. (once amended) A method according to Claim 30 wherein prompting the customer to provide information regarding equipment to be subject to the lease transaction comprises the step of displaying a computer generated screen listing the equipment criteria and delivery requirements.

35. (once amended) A method according to Claim 30 further comprising the steps of searching a database to identify equipment which match the equipment criteria supplied by the customer in response to prompting the customer to provide information regarding the equipment

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to be subject to the lease transaction, and displaying to the customer at least some information relating to at least some of the equipment identified from the database search.

38. (once amended) A method for initiating a lease transaction, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a database for storing information relating to a plurality of equipment for lease including specifications for each piece of equipment and, if the equipment is currently being leased, the terms of the lease;

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selecting, by a customer, from an electronic interface, a lease transaction type for a specific type of equipment to be leased;

identifying, by the customer, from the electronic interface, information including criteria of equipment desired to be subject to the lease and additional lease requirements;

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requesting, by the customer, from the electronic interface, a term sheet for the selected lease type and identified equipment;

matching the customer provided information with the equipment information by applying predetermined search rules; and

receiving information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the term sheet.

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41. (once amended) A method according to Claim 38 wherein identifying information including criteria of the equipment desired to be subject to the lease comprises the step of identifying the desired equipment type and the criteria to be satisfied by the desired equipment.

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43. (once amended) Apparatus comprising:

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means for storing information relating to a plurality of equipment for lease including specifications for each piece of equipment and, if the equipment is currently being leased, the terms of the lease;

means for prompting a customer to select a type of lease transaction for a specific type of equipment to be leased;

means for prompting the customer to provide information regarding equipment to be subject to the lease transaction, the customer provided information including criteria of the equipment and additional lease requirements;

means for prompting the customer to request generation of a term sheet for the lease transaction;

means for matching the customer provided information with the equipment information by applying predetermined search rules; and

means for receiving information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information for generating the term sheet.

47. (once amended) Apparatus according to Claim 43 wherein said means for prompting the customer to provide information regarding equipment to be subject to the lease transaction comprises means for displaying a computer generated screen listing the equipment criteria and delivery requirements.

48. (once amended) Apparatus according to Claim 43 further comprising means for searching a database to identify equipment which match the equipment criteria supplied by the customer in response to prompting the customer to provide information regarding the equipment to be subject to the lease transaction, and means for displaying to the customer at least some information relating to at least some of the equipment identified from the database search.

49. (once amended) Apparatus according to Claim 48 further comprising means for generating the term sheet using the customer provided information.

51. (once amended) A system for facilitating a lease transaction for aircraft, said system comprising:

a database comprising information relating to a plurality of aircrafts for lease including specifications for each aircraft and, if the aircraft is currently being leased, the terms of the lease; and

a server configured to:

prompt a customer to select a type of lease transaction for a specific type of aircraft to be leased;

prompt the customer to provide information regarding aircraft desired to be subject to the lease transaction, the customer provided information includes criteria of the aircraft and additional lease requirements;

prompt the customer to request generation of a term sheet for the lease transaction;

receive information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information to generate the term sheet; and

match, based on a set of rules, the customer provided information with the aircraft information, the set of rules including at least one of countries in which aircraft can be leased, a tax based restriction on aircraft enforced in some of the countries, and whether the aircraft is newly manufactured.

54. (once amended) A system according to Claim 53 wherein for a lease extension, to prompt the customer to provide information regarding aircraft to be subject to the lease transaction, said server causes to be displayed on a customer computer information related to at least one lease to the customer.

55. (once amended) A system according to Claim 51 wherein to prompt the customer to provide information regarding aircraft to be subject to the lease transaction, said server causes to be displayed on a customer computer a display listing the aircraft criteria and delivery requirements.

56. (once amended) A system according to Claim 51 wherein said server is further configured to search said database to identify aircraft which match the aircraft criteria supplied by the customer, and to cause to be displayed on a customer computer at least some information relating to at least some of the aircraft identified from the database search.

58. (once amended) A system for facilitating a lease transaction for an aircraft engine, said system comprising:

a database comprising information for aircraft engines for lease including specifications for each aircraft engine and, if the aircraft engine is currently being leased, the terms of the lease;

a server configured to prompt a customer to select a type of lease transaction for a specific type of aircraft engine to be leased, prompt the customer to provide information regarding aircraft engine desired to be subject to the lease transaction, the customer provided information includes criteria of the aircraft engine and additional lease requirements, prompt the customer to request generation of a term sheet for the lease transaction, match the customer provided information with the aircraft engine information stored within the database by applying predetermined search rules; and receive information entered by a lessor to modify the customer provided information to generate the term sheet.

61. (once amended) A system according to Claim 60 wherein for a lease extension, to prompt the customer to provide information regarding an aircraft engine to be subject to the lease transaction, said server causes to be displayed on a customer computer information related to at least one lease to the customer

62. (once amended) A system according to Claim 58 wherein to prompt the customer to provide information regarding an aircraft engine to be subject to the lease transaction, said server causes to be displayed on a customer computer a computer generated screen listing the aircraft engine criteria and delivery requirements.

63. (once amended) A system according to Claim 58 wherein said server is further configured to search said database to identify aircraft engines which match the aircraft engine criteria supplied by the customer, and to cause to be displayed on a customer computer at least